

## **Lon Berry Ewing (1948 – 1967)**

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Lon Barry Ewing was born on Sunday, August 29, 1948. Ewing lived in the city of San Diego, CA, and was raised in Chula Vista.

On Sunday, December 24, 1967, Ewing was deployed to the province of Quang Tri in Southern Vietnam. Ewing was ranked PFC an E2 in the United States Marine Corps. He was also with the Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) code of 0311.

However, on Sunday, May 19, 1968, Ewing's life was lost at the age of only 19. His death was due to an unknown explosive device (A1), also known as "ground casualty." His body was recovered. PFC Ewing had served less than a year in Vietnam.

Veteran's Day honors Lon Barry Ewing and all persons who have served in our country's armed forces, both in times of peace and times of war. The Vietnam Veterans Memorial has won a secure place in the hearts and minds of the American people. It has sent a clear message to all the veterans of the Vietnam War that their effort and their sacrifice are now understood and appreciated.

PFC Ewing's name appears on the Vietnam Wall at location 63East, Row 18

